OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR KOLAR GOLD FIELDS AREA FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1945.

A Rise of Two points.

The cost of Living Index for working classes in the Kolar Gold Fields Area for the month of October 1945, works up to 320·1 showing a raise of 0·2 points from the previous month's figure. As compared with the figures of the previous month, the Food Index advanced by 0·8 points to 249·7 points due to an increase in the prices of Bengalgram dhal, Avare dhal, Jaggery, Coffee seeds, Onions, Ghee, Chillies, Tamarind, and Garlic.

The Index Number for the fuel and lighting group declined by 4·5 points to 222·6 due to a fall in the price of castor oil.

The Index Numbers for clothing House Rent and Miscellaneous groups remained stationary. (Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100).

Name of the Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	Average price per unit of quantity: September 1945	Average price per unit of quantity: October 1945	Index Numbers: September 1945	Index Numbers: October 1945
Food—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Raw Rice	...Seer measure	3·5	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
Boiled Rice	... ,,	36·9	0 2 1	0 4 7	0 4 7	220	220
Ragi	... ,,	11·1	0 0 11	0 2 8	0 2 8	291	291
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·4	0 2 11	0 10 8	0 10 8	366	366
Tur Dhal	... ,,	4·2	0 2 8	0 7 10	0 7 3	294	272
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	0·8	0 1 11	0 9 6	0 9 9	496	509
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 1	0 7 0	0 7 6	336	360
Greengram	... ,,	0·6	0 1 11	0 8 0	0 8 0	417	417
Sugar	... Seer wt.	0·5	0 1 4	0 2 3	0 2 3	169	169
Jaggery	... Viss	2·8	0 3 3	0 8 1	0 8 5	249	259
Coffee seeds	... Seer wt.	1·8	0 4 0	0 10 11	0 12 0	275	300
Fish	... ,,	2·1	0 3 6	0 7 0	0 6 0	200	171
Meat	... 2 lbs.	9·0	0 8 0	1 8 0	1 4 0	300	250
Milk	...Seer measure	2·8	0 3 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	123	123
Curds	... ,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	100	100
Onions	... Viss	0·8	0 1 4	0 4 1	0 5 3	306	394
Ghee	... Seer wt.	1·1	0 6 0	0 10 0	0 11 5	167	190
Gingelly oil	... ,,	3·2	0 2 0	0 5 7	0 5 5	279	271
Cocoanut	... Each	0·8	0 1 2	0 2 3	0 2 2	193	186
Groundnut oil	... Seer wt.	0·6	0 1 7	0 3 11	0 4 0	247	253
Salt	...Seer measure	1·3	0 1 2	0 2 3	0 2 0	193	171
Chillies	... Viss	4·0	0 7 8	2 6 4	2 15 0	501	613
Tamarind	... ,,	1·4	0 2 7	0 4 11	0 6 0	190	232
Coriander	...Seer measure	1·2	0 1 4	0 8 0	0 8 0	600	600
Garlic	... Seer wt.	0·6	0 2 0	0 4 2	0 5 3	208	263
Soji	...	0·3	0 1 2	0 1 2	0 1 2	100	100
Vegetables	...	3·8	0 12 4	0 12 4	0 12 4	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	3·2	0 12 3	0 12 3	0 12 3	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number of all food articles		...	...	...	...	248·9	249·7
Fuel and Lighting.—							
Firewood	... Maund	75·1	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
Castor Oil	... Seer	7·8	0 2 3	0 7 10	0 6 6	348	289
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	12·1	0 2 3	0 3 8	0 3 8	167	163
Matches	... Box of 40 sticks	5·0	0 0 5	0 0 5	0 0 5	167	167
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index No.—Fuel and Lighting	...	...	...	...	...	227·1	222·6

Name of the Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	Average price per unit of quantity: September 1945	Average price per unit of quantity: October 1945	Index Numbers: September 1945	Index Numbers: October 1945
Clothing—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Dhoties	... Pair of 8 yds.	9·3	2 1 0	4 7 2	4 7 2	216	216
Cloth for Pyjama	Yard	1·7	0 4 4	0 10 7	0 10 7	244	244
Coating	.... ,,	20·4	0 6 5	0 14 0	0 11 2	218	174
Shirting	... ,,	14·7	0 5 0	0 8 2	0 7 9	163	135
Sarees	... Each	39·4	3 3 0	5 4 0	4 11 0	165	147
Cloth for Jackets, etc.	Yard	14·5	0 5 3	0 10 4	0 11 2	197	213
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number of clothing	...	...	...	...	...	186·2	171·3
House rent	... ...	100·0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number for House rent	...	...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous—							
Barber	... ...	14·5	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100
Soap for washing	... ...	20·0	0 12 6	0 12 6	0 12 6	100	100
Soapnut powder	... ...	5·2	0 3 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	100	100
Supari	... ...	14·1	0 8 10	0 8 10	0 8 10	100	100
Beedies	... ...	15·7	0 9 10	0 9 10	0 9 10	100	100
Travelling expenses	...	6·7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100
Flowers	... ...	3·9	0 2 5	0 2 5	0 2 5	100	100
Amusements	....	8·1	0 5 1	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	100
Charges for grinding	... ...	6·1	0 3 10	0 3 10	0 3 10	100	100
Bedding and household necessaries		5·7	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	100	100

Group	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers: September 1945	Index Numbers: October 1945
Food	70·9	248·9	249·7
Fuel and Lighting	6·2	227·1	222·6
Clothing	9·1	171·3	171·3
House Rent	2·1	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	11·7	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Numbers...	...	219·9	220·1

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